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SUBJECT: GENSCHER ON EC AFRICAN POLICY

1. IN AN INTERVIEW FROM LONDON, FOREIGN MINISTER
GENSCHER CHARACTERIZED THE THREE IMPORTANT POINTS
OF THE EC AFRICAN STATEMENT TO BE:

-- SUPPORT FOR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY;

-- OPPOSITION TO OUTSIDE INTERVENTION; AND

-- OBJECTION TO ANY ATTEMPT BY EXTRA, AFRICAN
POWERS TO SET UP SPHERES OF INFLUENCE IN AFRICA.

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2. GENSCHER WENT ON TO STATE THAT THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC
HAS MADE A SPECIAL EFFORT NOT ONLY TO ACHIEVE AN EC
POLICY ON AFRICA BUT THAT THIS POLICY BE DEVELOPED
IN CLOSE COORDINATION WITH THE NEW US ADMINISTRATION.
HE SAID: "YOU WILL HAVE READ IN THE PRESS THAT
PRESIDENT CARTER HAS INSTRUCTED VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE

TO FORMULATE A POLICY ON AFRICA FOR THE NEW ADMINISTRATION. WE ARE INTERESTED IN A COORDINATION OF THIS FORMULATION WITH US, BECAUSE WE WOULD LIKE TO INSURE A CONGRUENCE OF THE EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN POSITIONS ALSO IN THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. THIS IS IN LINE WITH OUR AND THE AMERICAN INTERPRETATION OF A CLOSE PARTNERSHIP COOPERATION."

3. COMMENT: FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER DEPARTED FROM LONDON TO INDIA AND SOUTHEAST ASIA. WE THEREFORE HAVE NOT TALKED TO HIM OR HIS IMMEDIATE AIDES CONCERNING WHAT HE MEANT BY THIS STATEMENT. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE HE MEANT EXACTLY WHAT HE SAID: THAT HE WANTS TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH THE US ON AFRICAN AFFAIRS. HE DID NOT, OF COURSE, GO INTO OUR CURRENT JOINT EFFORTS WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH AFRICA.
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